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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL
LETTER AND REQUEST FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT
TO 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (a)**

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Invention Title
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Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith for filing is an Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2005 for the above-identified application.
2. Applicants hereby request a **three-month extension of time** to respond to the Office Action of June 28, 2005, which set a three-month period for response. The extended period for response now expires on December 28, 2005. Please charge the three-month extension fee of \$1,020.00 and any additional fees to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon, deposit account number 11-0600.
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TOTAL CLAIMS	8	minus	123	0	50.00	0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1	minus	66	0	200.00	0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM ADDED					360.00	0.00
					TOTAL	0.00
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4. No additional filing fee is required. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**:
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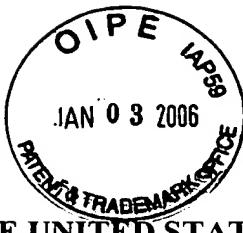
5. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 28, 2005, please consider the following remarks intended to put this application into form for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks and/or Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.